

On page 30, line 13, please delete "_____" and insert therefor --209645--.

On page 52, lines 7, please delete "Rockville, Maryland 20852" and insert therefor
--Manassas, VA 20110-2209--.

On page 141, line 11, in claim 14, please delete "_____" and insert therefor
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On page 143, line 23, in claim 25, please delete "_____" and insert therefor
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On page 143, line 26, in claim 25, please delete "_____" and insert therefor
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Remarks

The specification has been amended in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.802(a) to include the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) Deposit Numbers of the pHE4a vector and a plasmid vector containing a subsequence encoding the GABA_A receptor epsilon subunit. The pHE4a vector was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) on February 25, 1998 and assigned ATCC Deposit Number 209645. A pCDM8 vector (InVitrogen, San Diego, CA) containing a cDNA insert encoding the GABA_A receptor epsilon subunit was also deposited with the ATCC on February 25, 1998 and has been assigned ATCC Deposit Number 209642. An ATCC deposit receipt is provided herewith as evidence of these deposits. Both of deposit were made prior to the filing of the captioned application. No new matter is added by these amendments.

The specification has also been amended to include the new address of the ATCC. The ATCC has recently moved from 12301 Park Lawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852 to 10801 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110-2209. Applicants were advised on May 19, 1998 in a notification published in the Official Gazette to amend pending applications to refer to the current address of the ATCC. 1210 OFF. GAZ. PAT. OFFICE 74 (May 19, 1998). The amendment to page 11, lines 18-19 and page 52, line 7 are required to incorporate the new address of the ATCC into the specification.

Summary

It is respectfully believed that this application is now in condition for examination.
Early notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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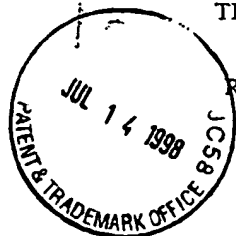
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INTERNATIONAL FORM

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AND VIABILITY STATEMENT ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE 10.2



To: (Name and Address of Depositor or Attorney)

Human Genome Sciences, Inc.
Attn: Robert H. Benson
9410 Key West Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850

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Deposited on Behalf of: Human Genome Sciences, Inc.

Identification Reference by Depositor:

ATCC Designation

DNA Plasmid GABA_E (Ref. Docket PF374)

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DNA Plasmid pHE4a (Ref. Docket PS-001)

209645

The deposits were accompanied by: ___ a scientific description ___ a proposed taxonomic description indicated above.

The deposits were received February 25, 1998 by this International Depository Authority and have been accepted.

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The viability of the cultures cited above was tested March 12, 1998. On that date, the cultures were viable.

International Depository Authority: American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Md. 20852 USA

Signature of person having authority to represent ATCC:

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Date: March 13, 1998

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